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## Spanish Court Agrees to Extradite Korkola

MADRID, Spain

A Spanish court today agreed to extradite an American convicted here last year with a former CIA agent for illegal arms dealing, on the condition he be given a new trial in the United States.

The man, George Gregory Korkola, 42, was convicted along with former CIA agent Frank E. Terpil of gunrunning charges in state Supreme Court in Manhattan, and sentenced last year in absentia to up to 53 years in state prison.

Korkala also has been indicted in U.S. District Court in New York on charges of violating the Neutrality Act by selling arms to Uganda. The celebrated case involved Terpil, who is also accused with ex-agent Edwin P. Wilson in yet another case which involves supplying terrorist recruits and explosives to Libya.

The Spanish national court, immediately below Spain's Supreme Court, said the United States must certify by Nov. 24 that Korkala will be given a new trial. If such assurances are not received by then, the court said Korkala will be set free and the extradition request denied.

Korkala was indicted on two counts of illegal arms traffic outside the United States, one count of illegal arms traffic in the United States and one count of conspiracy to illegally obtain U.S. passports for aliens.

A fugitive warrant was issued for him after the convictions. Korkala was arrested in Spain in February at an exhibition of security equipment.

Terpil is still at large, with his base in Beirut.

Wilson, a onetime spy and CIA case officer, was arrested in New York in June after U.S. marshals persuaded the Dominican Republic to cooperate in a ruse to get him. He had been a fugitive from the United States since indictments in April, 1980 for conspiracy to assassinate a dissident Libyan official in Egypt, illegally shipping large quantities of explosives and timing devices to Libya and arranging for former U.S. Army Special Forces (Green Berets) and other Americans to train Libyan terrorists.

On Tuesday, a federal grand jury in Alexandria, Va., indicted him on additional firearms violations charges involving Libya.

Terpil, in a television interview conducted in Beirut last year, described his work with Libyan leader Col. Moammar Khadafy and then Ugandan leader Idi Amin.

There was no immediate comment from U.S. authorities on today's court decision.